

Frankford Arsenal, Building 137  
Northwest corner of Craig Road and Walbach Street  
Philadelphia  
Philadelphia County  
Pennsylvania

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Location: Northwest corner of Craig Road and Walbach Street  
Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania

Quad: Frankford

Date of Construction: 1945

Significance: Building 137 is associated with the numerous small structures scattered throughout the grounds of the Frankford Arsenal, the U.S. Army's principal manufacturer of small arms ammunition.

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## **HISTORY**

Building 137 was built in 1945 as a tunnel entrance.

## **DESCRIPTION**

Building 137 is a wood frame building with asbestos siding on three sides and sheet metal siding on the north side, measuring approximately 6 feet by 5 feet. It has a gable roof covered with asbestos shingles, and a wood vertical panel door on the east side.

## **SOURCE**

John Milner Associates, "Historical and Archeological Survey of Frankford Arsenal," West Chester, PA: John Milner Associates, 1979.

Report prepared for the Department of the Army, Baltimore District, Corps of Engineers, Baltimore, Maryland. Copies are on file at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the Philadelphia Free Library, and the Philadelphia Historical Commission.

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